GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RURAL DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA

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HOUSES CONSTRUCTED UNDER IAY
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Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the details of houses constructed under Indira Awas Yojana in the country from January 2008 to March 2010, State-wise and year-wise;

(b) whether the Union Government has appointed representatives for the monitoring of construction work under the scheme;

(c) if so, whether representatives have submitted any report in this regard;

(d) if so, the details alongwith main conclusions thereof;

(e) whether some of the State Governments particularly Chattisgarh, Gujarat, Madhya Pradesh are facing various problems in the implementation of the said scheme; and

(f) if so, the details thereof alongwith the action taken/ proposed to be taken by the Union Government thereon?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI PRADEEP JAIN `ADITYA`)

(a): A statement showing the State-wise, year-wise number of houses constructed under Indira Awaas Yojana in the country from January, 2008 to March, 2010 is at Annexure-I.

(b)to(d): IAY Scheme is monitored through the Monthly Progress Reports, Utilization Certificates, Audit Reports, Monthly and Quarterly review meetings and through field visits by Area Officers. National Level Monitors are also appointed and deputed for independent inquiry and monitoring of the scheme. During the period June-Sept., 2009, National Level Monitors were deputed for independent assessment of rural development programmes, who visited 2387 villages in 249 districts of 27 States. Major findings of these NLMs in respect of Indira Awaas Yojana are at Annexure-II.

(e)&(f): Indira Awaas Yojana (IAY) is a very popular Scheme of the Central Government and is being implemented in all the States very effectively, especially as IAY is a full subsidy scheme and houses are constructed by the beneficiaries themselves. There are no problems in the implementation of the scheme in Chattisgarh, Gujarat and Madhya Pradesh. However, in some States, there is shortage of skilled manpower, material and technical supervision. The State Governments have been advised to take necessary action to address these issues. Further, the unit assistance provided for an IAY house is not commensurate with the cost of construction. To augment funds in this regard, the Reserve Bank of India has included IAY houses in the Differential Rate of Interest (DRI) Scheme for lending upto Rs.20,000/- per housing unit at interest rate of 4% per annum.